GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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ADVANCES WITH CPWD
RAGHUNATH JHA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether IARI has made advances of crores of rupees with the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) for execution of various works from time to time;

(b) if so, whether advances have been outstanding with CPWD for years;

(c) if so, the reasons for the IARI not getting its advances adjusted; and

(d) the steps taken in this behalf with interests on the money?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Yes, Sir

(b) Yes, Sir

(c) The major and the minor works of IARI including its Regional Stations are carried out by the CPWD as per the prescribed procedure on pre-deposit basis and adjustments are done on completion of work and on production of expenditure statement by the CPWD. The amount is deposited with CPWD in phase manner depending on progress of the work. As the major works involving construction and renovation of building are time consuming the advances remain unadjusted at any given point of time.

(d) During the last two years a good amount of pre-deposited advances are settled and efforts are further on to settle about Rs. 19.00 crores. However as the transaction is between two Government departments no interest is chargeable in such cases.